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Michelle Castellano serves as attorney and vice president of Mellano & Company, one of the largest U.S. producers of fresh-cut flowers and greens. Mellano & Company is a third-generation, family-owned and operated business, founded in 1925, and ships its floral product to wholesalers, retail florists, and consumers nationwide.

Michelle received her B.A. from the University of San Diego, her J.D. from California Western School of Law, and her LLM from Pepperdine University.

She has represented Mellano & Company, the Society of American Florists and the entire U.S. floral industry in attending the Montreal Protocol Meetings (and Special Meetings) of the Parties in Prague, Czechoslovakia; Geneva, Switzerland; Dakar, Senegal; and Montreal, Canada, over the past three years. She also has actively participated in the methyl bromide alternatives research meetings sponsored annually by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

She is a member of the Society of American Florists Government Relations Committee, and a member of the Board of Directors of the San Diego County Farm Bureau.

In addition to her work on behalf of Mellano & Company, Michelle has her own legal practice. She is active in her church, Our Lady of the Rosary, in San Diego, and in the Make-A-Wish Foundation.